

SMALL GROUP HOST LEADERSHIP GUIDE

"FOR WHERE TWO OR THREE GATHER IN MY NAME, THERE AM I WITH THEM."

MATTHEW 18:20

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LIFEPOINT Small Groups

Why Small Groups Exist

Small Groups have one purpose - to bring people together to find freedom in Christ. Small Groups is where God - through His Holy Spirit - seems to do His best work.

We believe God created us to live in community with others and only then can we experience the full life He intends for us. *(See Genesis 2:18 and Galatians 6:2)*

We also believe that life change (finding freedom) happens in the context of relationships. Meaningful relationships can be hard to find, and Small Groups exist to make life-changing relationships relevant and accessible to you and to the people around you. Small Groups make it possible to live the abundant life God calls us to live. *(See Matthew 18:20)*

LifePoint Church Small Groups Model

At LifePoint Church, we believe our church needs to grow larger and smaller at the same time. We grow larger to reach as many lost people as possible with the life-giving message of Jesus. We grow smaller by gathering in Small Groups to build community and care for people as they grow closer to Christ.

In the Book of Acts, you can read about the tremendous growth of the first church in Jerusalem, where small group meetings in homes helped lay the foundation.

Day after day, in the temple courts and from house to house, they never stopped teaching and proclaiming the good news that Jesus is the Messiah. –Acts 5:42

What Do Small Groups Provide?

Small Groups provide a place to FIND FREEDOM with others.

Yes, whatever a person is like, I try to find common ground with him so he will let me tell him about Christ and let Christ save him. –1 Corinthians 9:22

Small Groups provide a place to CONNECT with each other.

We know what real love is because Jesus gave up His life for us. So we also ought to give up our lives for our brothers and sisters. –1 John 3:16

And finally, Small Groups provide a place to GROW together.

As irons sharpens iron, so one person sharpens another. *—Proverbs 27:17*

We believe every person is created with God-given potential to make a difference in the world. Small Groups are a place you can grow with others, to become more like Jesus, and reach the potential God has put inside you. It is truly a blessing to have a loving, supportive community to walk beside you on your journey with Christ!

WHAT DO SMALL GROUPS LOOK LIKE?

A Small Group is a group of two or more people gathered to find freedom with each other, to connect with each other and to grow with each other. We're not made to do this life alone. God specifically designed us to be in relationship with one another. A Small Group provides a great space to do just that.

Our Small Group HOSTs are encouraged to use their gifts and interests to determine when and where their group meets and what they meet about. From game nights to bible study curriculums, our groups are just as varied as we are. Some examples of group categories are men's groups, women's groups, marriage and family groups, young adult groups, and community/ outreach groups.

Small Groups launch year-round at LifePoint Church, so anyone can either join a group or host a group at any time! The group itself determines its own start and end date, the actual meeting day, and when to take time off for holidays or vacations.

Our hope is for every person at LifePoint Church to be connected in meaningful community through a Small Group. With so many groups to choose from, we are confident there is a group that is a great fit for you. Visit <u>lifepointchurch.tv/smallgroups</u> to search our online directory of Small Groups. Once you find a few groups, that interest you, contact the HOST(s) to learn more and make plans to check it out in person.

Anyone can host a Small Group. Hosting a group is a great way to make meaningful connections. The qualifications that you need to HOST a group is actually in the name. Did you know that "HOST" is an acronym? It tells you all that you need to host a Small Group:

Heart for people - A desire to gather together.

Open space to gather - Your home, office, park, etc.

Something to eat - This will make your gathering even better!

Technology - If you have a screen and can press play, then you can HOST a Small Group!

Small Groups meet regularly throughout the year either weekly, bi-weekly, or once a month. They meet in a variety of places like homes, parks, restaurants, golf courses, and office buildings.

No matter what your group meets about, each meeting should be made up of four things:

1. Casual Fellowship - Laid back time for group members to talk and get to know each other.

2. Activity or Discussion - This will vary. It could be an activity like Frisbee or outreach or a discussion about a book or Sunday sermon.

3. **Prayer and Care** - Ask for prayer requests from group members and pray at the beginning and/ or the end of each group meeting.

4. **Spiritual Component** - This is what differentiates your group from other non-church activities. Whether it's through activities or discussion, always find a way to include the Word of God. This can be as simple as sharing something God is teaching you with the group or talking about a verse you read that week.

Each Small Group meeting should encourage and include ESPN:

E: Encourage each other by checking in and always pointing each other back to Christ.

S: Serve each other and others as a group. This reveals the love of Christ.

P: Pray with and for each other.

N: Invite and encourage groups members to take their Next Steps in their way with Christ.

Small Groups are <u>not</u> a place for:

- Business
- Offerings
- Unapproved materials or speakers
- Controversial topics

Word-of-mouth does wonders in advertising, so we encourage our Small Group HOSTs to share their group with others, invite them, and build the group. Building a group is easy! Start with "you" and a "who". As long as you are intentional about inviting people, it will grow! Start looking for people to invite by looking at your five circles of relationship:

Friends Family (Immediate or extended) Firm (The people that you work with everyday) Faith (Your church family) Fun (Your hobby buddies)

YOUR ROLE AS A SMALL GROUP HOST

God has a part for all of us to play in the church, and Small Group HOSTs come alongside the pastors and staff of LifePoint Church to help care for people. With the partnership of your Small Group Coach, you provide a comfortable, life-giving environment for folks to build community and you also get the chance to use your discernment to help them figure out their next step, which could be getting baptized, going through Next Steps and becoming a part of a Dream Team, or becoming a Small Group HOST themselves.

Now these are the gifts Christ gave to the church: the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, and the pastors and teachers. Their responsibility is to equip God's people to do his work and build up the church, the body of Christ. This will continue until we all come to such unity in our faith and knowledge of God's Son that we will be mature in the Lord, measuring up to the full and complete standard of Christ. –Ephesians 4:11-13

As a Small Group HOST, you get to help your group members move one more step in their walk with God.

Be sure you know the condition of your flocks, give careful attention to your herds. --Proverbs 27:23

Remember, people in your group will be at different places in their spiritual lives and each person will have different next steps to take. Be intentional about keeping this in mind when engaging in those next step conversations.

How Do I Measure if Group Members are Engaged in their Next Steps?

Ask! Make it part of your regular discussion whether in a group setting or individually. Always keep in mind that everyone has a next step that he or she can take.

Some questions to guide your next step conversations:

- What are you most looking forward to in the group?
- How did you get connected to this Small Group?
- Do you attend LifePoint? What brought you here?
- Which service do you attend?
- Have you ever been part of a Small Group before?
- What do you feel like God has been doing in your life lately?
- What areas of your faith are you hoping to grow in the coming months?
- What are you focused on in your life right now?
- Have you been through Next Steps? Are you a part of our Dream Team?
- Do you remember what your personality type is or what your ministry strengths are?
- How can I pray for you?

Some next steps that you can help people take:

- Start reading the Bible regularly
- Start attending Sunday services
- Start tithing or giving
- Start praying regularly
- Be water baptized
- Complete our Next Steps class
- Join the Dream Team
- Attend a LifePoint conference (marriage, women's, men's, etc.)
- Go on a mission trip
- Invite a friend or neighbor to Church or a Small Group
- Become a Small Group HOST and start a group

Tips on Being a Successful Small Group HOST

- <u>Pray daily</u> for the members of your group.
- Consider partnering with a <u>co-HOST</u>.
- Empower group members to <u>share the responsibility</u> of the group. Have a sign-up list for food or take turns meeting at each other's houses. All of the work does not have to fall on you.
- Connect with group members outside of weekly meetings through phone, email, text, social media, or face-to-face.
- Have fun through laughter and by creating an enjoyable environment.
- Respect people's time by beginning and ending your group on time.
- Invite group members to attend church services and events with you such as conferences or outreach opportunities.
- SERVE the community together.
- Rally the group around a member going through crisis (Pastoral care).
- Be considerate of childcare needs and solutions.

Setting a Good Group Dynamic

"Go out into the country...and urge anyone you find to come, so that the house will be full." -Luke 14:23

1. Set Expectations

A key to helping people feel comfortable in your group is to let them know what to expect. Take time to figure out how the group will flow week to week. This can include things like your group's start time, how group discussion or activities will happen, or how group members can share prayer requests.

2. Follow the 70:30 Rule

Give the members of your group room the chance to speak up instead of doing all the talking yourself. About 70% of talking should come from members and 30% from the HOST.

3. Keep Discussion Positive

If conversation takes a negative or destructive turn, guide it back to a healthy place. If someone needs to talk about a sensitive or complex issue, you can follow up with them after the group or call your coach to help you respond well.

4. Keep the Conversation Relevant to Everyone

Remember people in your group will be at various places in their spiritual journey. Be thoughtful when you talk about spiritual concepts or church terms that might be unfamiliar to new Christians or new church-goers.

5. **Respect Boundaries & Confidentiality**

Men should minister to men and women should minister to women. A couple may minister to a single person. A mixed group can have both a man and woman HOST. We want to maintain integrity and purity in our Small Groups. These boundaries help protect the HOSTs and group members from entering into an uncomfortable or inappropriate situation.

Basic Small Group Do's and Don't

Don't Be Afraid of Silence

Let the people in your group sit for a moment and think. Silence isn't always a bad thing.

Don't Feel Like You Must Know All the Answers

We are human, and it's good for the people in your group to see that you are limited. You are, but most don't think so.

Don't Read Questions Word-for-Word off the Discussion Guide

Understand the questions and be prepared to ask them in your own terms. Feel free to generate your own questions during your preparation and even on the spot.

Don't Talk More Than the People in Your Group

Ask questions to generate discussion. Ask people to explain their answers and go into more depth. Allow multiple group members to respond even if the first person gets the "right answer."

Do Ask People if They Have Questions

Encourage them to deal with the material on their own terms. Create a climate where people feel the freedom to ask questions.

Do Echo Some Responses to Your Questions

If a persons answer or comment is long-winded or unclear, repeat it back (summarize it) for clarity. This proves that you are listening and it keeps the attention of the rest of the group.

Don't Move to a New Question Too Quickly

After a person answers a question, ask, "Would anyone like to add to that?" or "Does everyone agree/disagree with that?"

Do Keep the Group Focused and on Purpose

Don't go down a rabbit trail and leave the topics and/or scripture passages unless something "big time" comes up (i.e. family crisis). Be sensitive to the Spirit (but that is not an excuse to be lazy and let the group wander). Wandering is easy; being a leader isn't.

Do Require and Maintain Confidentiality

This allows people to open up because they feel their environment is safe. However, don't keep potentially dangerous information to yourself (i.e. abuse, suicidal, homicidal, destructive intentions, etc. When in doubt, please tell a staff member).

Don't Be Discouraged

When (not if) you have a bad night don't be discouraged. There is not a Small Group HOST in the world that hasn't had bad nights.

Dealing with Other Problems:

Bad Attitude

- 1. Pray for them and be compassionate (hurt people hurt people).
- 2. Build relationship with the person and seek to understand the "why".
- 3. Don't be afraid to confront them in love.
- 4. Seek help from your coach or a pastor if you are unsure how to move forward.

Big Situations

1. Never promise to keep a secret.

2. It's better to be safe than sorry; always talk to your Small Group Coach or a pastor about any situation that you are not sure how to handle.

PASTORAL CARE GUIDELINES

Life Challenges

Your group members will experience trials, tests, and suffering. As the Small Group HOST, you have a great opportunity to help care for your group members as they navigate these life challenges.

Five things to remember when caring for your Small Group members:

- 1. Being a Christian doesn't exempt us from life challenges.
- 2. A life challenge to us isn't a life challenge to God.
- 3. God comforts us and promises to be present in our life challenges.
- 4. A life challenge will not last forever.
- 5. Hope resides in life challenges.

Adversity

Understand that someone's suffering and pain is highly subjective. Never minimize it and always show empathy. Instead of rescuing, be the voice of reason. We are not the rescuers, but we are representatives of the God who rescues them. We are to be the agents of truth and their friend, which means that we journey with them through their pain.

How do helpers attend to hurting people? Realize that we are in danger of being pulled under or drowning with the individual that's dealing with adversity.

1. <u>Try to get a biblical understanding of that person's situation.</u> Ask, "Is that person's struggle from the World? Is their struggle of the Flesh? Is their struggle coming from the Enemy (Spiritual Warfare)?" The answer to these questions will help you determine how to move forward with an individual.

2. <u>Be cautious.</u> Be careful of using "fix it" verses. Remember that an individual is completely overwhelmed when they are first going through a negative experience. Words need to be very few and be there as a presence for the Holy Spirit to come in and do his work.

3. <u>Demonstrate the love and grace of God.</u> Remember that grace qualifies and characterizes our response. *"Let everything you say be good and helpful, so that your words will be an encouragement to those who hear them." –Ephesians 4:29b*

4. <u>Jesus doesn't abandon us, bear with them.</u> You'll want to abandon because there will be one crisis too many or a phone call too many. Love of the Father doesn't abandon his own, and we shouldn't either. Like people first finding their salvation, our issues are not starting, it's staying.

"Always be humble and gentle. Be patient with each other, making allowance for each other's faults because of your love." – Ephesians 4:2

5. <u>Healing takes place in community</u>. Seek out those who have demonstrated God's character of justice, truth, love and mercy and teach them how to cling onto those characteristics when moving forward. When you go into someone else's adversity, remember and pray, *"Don't let me go into their hardship without Your presence and only let me go if I'm going to be successful"*.

Situations to Report

If any of the following occurs within your group, please report immediately to both your Small Group Coach and a staff pastor:

- 1. Hospitalization/ER (Protracted Hospitalizations)
- 2. Abuse/Self-Harm/Endangerment
- 3. Death

Frequently Asked Questions

What will my Small Group do the first time we meet?

Start with an icebreaker; a light-hearted, fun question that can help break the tension, and put everyone at ease. Additionally, introductions can help create a relaxed social atmosphere that enables your group members to be open with everyone else. Keeping your first gathering fun ensures that your discussions will feel more relaxed and natural.

How do we handle childcare needs in the group?

Work together as a group to find what options best suit your needs. A few options to consider:

Option 1: Have the group meet in the living room/dining room and the children meet in a separate room. This keeps the kids close by, but also provides some privacy for those in the group during discussions.

How do we handle childcare needs in the group? (cont.)

Option 2: Select a home that is in a central location for those in the group, and pool finances to hire a babysitter to stay with the children. At the end of the night, the parents are free to go pick their kids up at the agreed upon time.

If you find an option that works for your group that is not listed above, go for it! The key is communication. As long as everyone feels comfortable and can agree, the group can be successful.

What should I do if someone asks a question I can't answer?

It's okay to not have all the answers. Thankfully, we can find guidance through prayer, God's Word, and the Holy Spirit. Encourage them to spend time reading the Bible and praying. Also, let them know that you will do your best to get some information and get back with them at your next Small Group meeting. Do some personal research and call your Small Group Coach to get advice.

What should I do if someone in my group shares something with me (or the group) that requires attention beyond what I (or we) can provide?

If you encounter a difficult situation within your Small Group, please know that you are not alone. If a member is going through a crisis, you can rally the group around them to provide prayer, encouragement, and support. Use wisdom and be sensitive to the situation. If you are unsure of what to do, don't hesitate to ask your Small Group Coach for guidance.

What curriculum should I choose for my group?

RightNow Media is a great tool to use if you're looking for video-based group studies. Another good option would be to host a sermon-based small group, where your group meets and does a recap and review of the previous Sunday's message. Every week, our Small Groups Team puts together a study guide that correlates with the sermon. You can also check our Small Groups website at <u>lifepointchurch.tv/smallgroups</u> or reach out to a Small Groups Team member for other study recommendations.

What should I do if I encounter the following types of personalities in my group?

Dominators have an answer for every question and every answer seems to go on forever. Dominators are usually very knowledgeable and kind-hearted. They just don't always have the social skills needed to help you keep things on track. Some dominators are able to talk for a long time. You need to have the courage to help the dominator wrap things up. One of the best methods is to simply finish the dominator's thoughts for him or her then quickly allow someone else to speak.

What a Small Group HOST can do: The secret to dealing with dominators is to remember that the group is usually desperate for the facilitator to do something. You should begin by working to draw others out. Look for a quick breath, no matter how short, to jump in and allow others to contribute. Dominators aren't the enemy. In fact, dominators will bring profound points to the conversation. Turn dominators into allies by talking to them after the get-together. Compliment the dominator's quick thinking and openness, explain the goals for drawing everyone into the discussion, and ask the dominator to help draw out everyone during future discussions.

Hiders are easy to ignore because they never bother the other group members. In fact, they seem to be quite good at being ignored and missed. Hiders need very gentle coaching and encouragement to start allowing others to get to know them.

What a Small Group HOST can do: Most hiders feel afraid of speaking in front of groups, so help them break the ice by sharing in pairs. Mix the pairs up so the hiders have a chance to get to know everyone in the group. Remind the group often that it needs everyone's contribution to grow.

Revealers (or over-sharers) have a tough time knowing how much information is too much information. Revealers often bring details to their stories that leave group members feeling embarrassed or unsure of how they should respond.

What a Small Group HOST can do: The secret to facilitating with revealers is to help them find the proper context for the things they'd like to share. You could respond to a revealer's discloser by saying something like, "That must have been very painful for you. That's the kind of thing we should discuss one-on-one. Let's talk after the get-together so I can pray for you." Known for being needy, revealers work best with facilitators who are very direct and very gentle at the same time.

Problem Solvers have a tough time seeing others in pain or confusion. With great intentions, the problem solver tries to fix other group members, often offering pat answers and solutions. Remind your group that each friend is in the process of discovery and needs time to work out his or her questions.

What a Small Group HOST can do: If a problem solver gives a pat answer that's received as judgmental or insensitive by a group member, don't panic. Quickly respond by showing empathy for the person with the problem or question. You might say, "I'm sorry you're going through that. Keep sharing and struggling forward. We'll do our best to support you along the way." If a problem solver doesn't seem to catch your hints and redirection, talk to him or her after a get-together. Tell the problem solver that you appreciate his or her wisdom. Then remind the problem solver that you want everyone to have the freedom to talk, discover, and even struggle through things.

LIFEPOINT CHURCH HONOR CODE

As an essential part of the LifePoint Leadership family, you have a responsibility to develop and exhibit mature Christian behavior. This should be the basic premise of your desire to serve in a Servant/Leader position here at LifePoint.

While serving the Body of Christ as a Small Group HOST, you pledge to present a good appearance at all times. In both attitude and behavior, you should strive to demonstrate Biblical standards in all situations.

As Christians, the way we present ourselves is of vital importance to the way others perceive Christ. Our conduct should never be an embarrassment to Christ, but should exemplify the best qualities of a mature believer and servant-leader.

Exemplifying the highest moral commitment, our Small Group HOSTs are to maintain a disciplined life of Bible reading, prayer, and fasting. You should also refrain from such things as:

- Profanity
- Smoking or chewing tobacco
- Gambling
- Indulging in much wine or other alcoholic beverages
- Dishonest gain
- Illegal drugs
- Pornography
- Sexual immorality, and all behaviors which much cause Christ to grieve and others to stumble

By providing an example in speech and action, we encourage others to grow in Christ and become servant-leaders themselves. This is a way of life measured by the heart and commitment of each leader in the LifePoint family. We should regard it as an essential part of our development, not as an imposition or restriction.

You say, "I am allowed to do anything" – but not everything is good for you. You say, "I am allowed to do anything" – but not everything is beneficial. Don't be concerned for your own good but for the good of others. –1 Corinthians 10:23-24

LIFEPOINT CHURCH ABUSE POLICY

I understand that LifePoint is a safe place for children and vulnerable adults and that we comply with all Federal and State laws regarding reporting suspected child abuse. As a Small Group HOST, I understand that suspected abuse is to be reported to the staff member who oversees the area in which I serve. I also understand the 4 types of abuse defined below:

- Physical: A Physical act directed at a child or vulnerable adult that causes injury;
- Sexual: Contact or interactions between a child and an adult, or another child, when the child is being used for sexual stimulation of the perpetrator or another person. This includes exploitation through photographs, videos, or other communication methods;
- Emotional: Acts or omissions by the parent or other caregivers that have caused, or could cause, serious behavioral, cognitive, emotional, or mental disorders;
- Neglect: Failure to provide for the child or vulnerable adult's basic needs. This
 includes adequate adult supervision, medical attention, housing, food, and clothing.
 Most cases of physical neglect involve inadequate adult supervision that has caused
 harm to the child or vulnerable adult, or places them in danger of such harm.

I understand it is not my responsibility to investigate and in no instance will I confront a parent or care giver if abuse is suspected. As a Small Group HOST, I agree to comply with this policy and report any suspected abuse to the staff person who oversees the area in which I serve.

SMALL GROUP GUIDELINES

Confidentiality. Everything shared in the group is confidential and should not leave the room. This promise helps us to develop trust and creates a safe place for us to talk about personal matters.

Try not to give advice. We want to be able to share our feelings and experiences. This is not an opportunity to share unsolicited advice except when it is specifically asked for.

Responsibility. All of us share the responsibility to make the group work.

Acceptance. The group should strive to accept each other just as we are, and try to avoid making unnecessary judgments.

Do our best to allow one speaker at a time. Groups are most beneficial when all of the participants have the opportunity to share and discuss individual issues or concerns. Members need to be mindful of limited time and give each person enough time to speak without interruptions.

Giving attention. Members will give supportive attention to the person who is speaking and try to avoid side-conversations.

Avoid interruptions. If an interruption is necessary, try to return the conversation to the person who was speaking as soon as possible.

Sharing. Sharing is encouraged, but not required. Share only if you are comfortable doing so. Questions. Group members have the right to ask questions and the right to refuse to answer.

Discussion. The group won't discuss the lives and issues of those who are not present for the group.

Begin and end on time. We will do best to make sure that each of our sessions begin and end on time.

SMALL GROUP RESOURCES

As you serve as a Small Group HOST, we are here to support and equip you as you host your group. We have put together some great resources for you. Take a look!

LifePoint Church Small Group Website - <u>www.lifepointchurch.tv/smallgroups</u>

LifePoint Church Pastoral Care Department - www.lifepointchurch.tv/care

Arrange a Baptism - <u>www.lifepointchurch.tv/baptism</u>

Ready for Next Steps? - <u>www.lifepointchurch.tv/nextsteps</u>

Your Small Group Coach - Your assigned coach serves as a friend and spiritual partner to help you through any challenges you may have in hosting your group, to provide you with support, and to help assist you in disciple-making conversations.

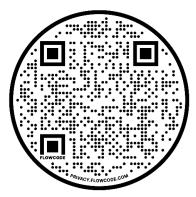
RightNow Media - Our gift to you! It's like Netflix for Christians! This expansive library contains thousands of video-based devotionals for everyone--men, women, marriage, parenting--you can find great devotional content for your Small Group. Get your free subscription at <u>www.lifepointchurch.tv/</u><u>rightnowmedia</u>.

Find training videos on our LifePoint Small Groups YouTube channel.

Planning Center Groups - The database that we use to house all things Small Groups! Login to manage your group at <u>groups.planningcenteronline.com</u>.



Register your new Small Group using the QR below:



Check your email for communication from our Small Groups Team with useful information and resources.

Be on the lookout for contact from your Small Group Coach who is there to connect and pray with you as well as help with your group's next steps.

Start inviting people to your group!

SPIRITUAL REFERENCE GUIDE

In life giving ministry, it is helpful to know the scriptures that pertain to different issues in life. Many times, simply reading the Word of God to the person, praying with them and allowing the Holy Spirit to bring encouragement, conviction and truth to their lives is the best thing we can do for them. The following are some scriptures, arranged alphabetically by subject that you might find helpful to have on hand.

Anxiety	Discouragement	Grief	Jealousy
Philippians 4:6-13	Galatians 6:9	John 14:1-3	James 3:16
1 Peter 5:7	Psalm 138:7-8	John 11:25	1 Corinthians 3:3
Hebrews 13:5-6	2 Corinthians 4:8-9	1 Corinthians 13:12	Exodus 20:17
Addictions	Deliverance	Forgiveness	Humility
Romans 6:12	James 4:7	2 Corinthians 2:10-11	Matthew 18:4
1 Corinthians 6:19	Matthew 18:18	Matthew 6:14-15	James 4:10
Galatians 5:1	Luke 10:19	Romans 12:14	Proverbs 22:4
Baptism in the Spirit	Faith	Healing	Judging Others
Acts 2:38	Hebrews 11:1	Exodus 15:26	Matthew 7:2-5
Luke 11:13	Hebrews 11:6	1 Peter 2:24	James 2:13
	Hebrews 12:2	1 John 5:14-15	John 5:30
Confession	Fear	Holy Spirit	Money
1 John 1:9	Romans 8:13-17	John 16:17	1 Timothy 6:8
Psalm 32:3	2 Thessalonians 3:3	John 16:8-13	1 Timothy 6:10
James 5:16	Isaiah 41:10	Acts 9:31	1 John 2:15
Obedience	Reconciliation	Suicide	Trust in the Lord
1 John 2:3	2 Cor. 5:18-19	Psalm 91:1, 11, 12, 15	Proverbs 3:5-6
1 John 3:21	Matthew 5:23-26	John 10:10	Ephesians 6:16
Deut. 11:26-28	Matthew 18:15-17		Psalm 56:4

Anger James 1:19 Ephesians 4:26, 31 Matthew 5:40

Depression Psalm 51:10-12 Romans 8:28, 31 1 Thessalonians 5:18

Freedom Galatians 5:13-26

Temptation

Genesis 4:7

1 Corinthians 10:13

Intercession 1 Timothy 2:1 **Ephesians 6:19**

Peace of Mind John 16:33 Romans 5:1

Colossians 3:15

Persistence

2 Timothy 4:7

Galatians 6:9

Revelation 2:24

1 Corinthians 10:13

Salvation James 3:16 Romans 6:23 Romans 8:1

Sexual Immorality 2 Timothy 2:22 1 Thessalonians 4:3-4 Psalm 139:13

Romans 6:6 Thanksgiving Psalm 100:1

Who we are in Christ 1 Peter 2:9 Revelation 2:26 Ephesians 2:6, 10

Prayer

1 John 3:21 1 John 3:14-15

Spiritual Gifts Romans 12:6-8 1 Corinthians 12:7-11 **Tithing and Giving** Malachi 3:8-10 Proverbs 3:9 Luke 6:38 2 Corinthians 9:7

Pride Proverbs 16:5 James 4:6 Isaiah 25:11

Spiritual Warfare 1 Timothy 4:1 1 Timothy 6:12 Ephesians 6:10-18

Trials

James 1:12 2 Corinthians 4:17 1 Peter 4:12 1 Peter 5:10 **Revelation 3:19**

Priorities Matthew 6:33 Matthew 22:36-39

Submit to Authority

1 Peter 2:13 Hebrews 13:17 Romans 13:1-7